

REMARKS

INTRODUCTION:

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 5, 21, and 25-27 have been amended. No new matter is being presented, and approval and entry are respectfully requested.

Claims 5-11, 21 and 24-27 are pending and under consideration. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

EXAMINER INTERVIEW:

A telephonic interview was held with the Examiner on February 1, 2006. Participants of the telephonic interview were Examiner Marjorie A. Moran and Applicants' attorney Darleen J. Stockley. The enablement rejection was discussed. Applicants thank the Examiner for the telephonic interview.

To further prosecution of the present application, the independent claims (claims 5, 21, and 25-27) have been amended as noted above to promote clarity. The amendments to claims 5, 21, and 25-27 are based on, for example, FIGs. 1-4 together with FIG. 17 and 22 and corresponding portions of the specification.

Applicants respectfully request entry and allowance of the amended claims, and since the remaining claims depend from the amended independent claims, the remaining claims are submitted to be allowable for at least the reasons that the amended independent claims are allowable.

CONCLUSION:

In accordance with the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all outstanding objections and rejections have been overcome and/or rendered moot, and further, that all pending claims patentably distinguish over the prior art. Thus, there being no further outstanding objections or rejections, the application is submitted as being in condition for allowance which action is earnestly solicited. At a minimum, this Amendment should be entered at least for purposes of Appeal as it either clarifies and/or narrows the issues for consideration by the Board.

If the Examiner has any remaining issues to be addressed, it is believed that prosecution can be expedited and possibly concluded by the Examiner contacting the undersigned attorney for a telephone interview to discuss any such remaining issues.

If there are any underpayments or overpayments of fees associated with the filing of this Amendment, please charge and/or credit the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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